



Agenda Item Number: 2009-4-7C

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: April 28, 2009

Department: ZBP & EH **Staff Contact:** Sanford Fish, Director
Rene Sedillo, Development Manager
Walt Senoski, Building Official
Julie M. Baca, Deputy County Manager for
Community Services

TITLE: Repealing County Code Ordinance No. 2001-3 and adopting a new Bernalillo County Building Ordinance, County Code, Chapter 10 and repealing Administrative Resolution 78-2001 and approving a new permit fee schedule.

ACTION: Convene a Public Hearing.

Motion to:

1. Repeal Ordinance 2001-3 and adopt **Ordinance 2009-_____** Bernalillo County Building Ordinance, Bernalillo County Code, Chapter 10.
2. Repeal Administrative Resolution 78-2001 and approve Administrative Resolution **AR _____-2009** establishing a new permit fee schedule for inspections, permits and other activities conducted by the Bernalillo County Building Section.

SUMMARY:

On March 17, 2009, the Board approved the introduction and publication of the proposed Building Ordinance. The adoption of a new Bernalillo County Code Chapter 10, Building Ordinance, will provide regulations consistent with those adopted by the New Mexico Construction Industries Division and other jurisdiction in the metropolitan area. This includes the 2006 International Building Code and International Property Maintenance Code.

The proposed fee resolution adopts a new Table 3-A establishing a simpler calculation for building permits and plan check fees based on construction valuation. All other fees, including those for electrical, plumbing, mechanical and special permits and inspections remain the same. The proposed fees are comparable to those charged by surrounding jurisdictions and the State of New Mexico. New building valuations would be phased in. Using the new formula with current valuations would provide a decrease in fees through the end of 2009, with phased increases taking place after that.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. **Ordinance 2009-_____** Building Ordinance, Bernalillo County Code, Chapter 10
2. Administrative Resolution **AR _____-2009**
3. Fee Comparisons

FISCAL IMPACT

Increasing the valuation table as proposed will result in an annual increase in revenue of approximately \$175,000.00 based on 2008 permit data. Permit revenue can be impacted by economic trends.

STAFF ANALYSIS SUMMARY

COUNTY MANAGER

Staff has worked with NAIOP and the Home Builders Association and they are supportive of the adoption of the new fee schedule. The 2006 International Building Code Standards will be adopted with the proposed building ordinance and will bring our regulations current with the State of New Mexico building code. I recommend Board approval. TL 04/21/09

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER

The proposed adoption of the building ordinance will provide consistent regulations for the construction industry and updating the building fees will bring the County consistent with the City of Albuquerque and Rio Rancho. I recommend Board approval. JMB 02/24/09

LEGAL

The proposed amendments to Building Code are required by state law and simplify the processing of building permit applications. Approved as to form. PFT 2/3/2009

FINANCE

Budget Revenues are estimated to increase approximately \$175,000 with approval of this motion. Actual revenue will be monitored in FY09 and necessary adjustments made in the FY10 budget. Pat Vigil, Financial Administrator, 1/14/2009.